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Application No. Applicant(s) 10/784,561 SETHI, ASEEM Interview Summary Examiner Art Unit Melvin H. Pollack 2145 All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Melvin H. Pollack. (2) Cindy Kaplan (40,043). Date of Interview: 26 September 2007. Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c) Personal (copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If Yes, brief description: _____. Claim(s) discussed: 5. Identification of prior art discussed: Cook et al. (5,802,309), Sethi (6,704,780). Agreement with respect to the claims f) \boxtimes was reached. g) \square was not reached. h) \square N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant agreed to add an amendment to all independent claims defining a network management object identifier as a single network management object, i.e. a typical OID, modified wherein a first set of elements is in compressed form but while a second set of elements is not. (Applicant may also add a field that identifies the number of uncompressed elements, as in Fig. 7, but this is not required.)

Applicant also agreed to provide remarks explaining how this identifier differs from Cook's larger multi-object data structure, and emphasizing that the compressed element is transmitted repeatedly for each network management object, as opposed to once for several similar objects a la Cook. Applicant also agreed to provide motivation for this method, wherein all objects no longer have to be unpacked to view a single object.

In light of the aforementioned amendment as described, and in light of the parent's prosecution, the examiner has determined that a claim of this scope is allowable.

Applicant has stated that an amendment after final will be sent.